

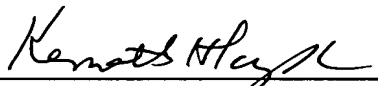
REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment, Applicant has added an Abstract to the Specification and amended the claims into the form as shown in the Annexes to the International Preliminary Report on Patentability completed January 25, 2006, for International Application No. PCT/IB2004/004064. More specifically, Applicant has amended claims 7, 12, 13, and 15-17, and added new claims 17, 18, 19 and 20, corresponding to claims 4-5, 7-8, and 9, as shown in the IPRP Annexes, in order to avoid multiple dependency and to comply with the US PTO rules. In making these revisions care has been taken to ensure that the claims remain supported by the specification and that no new matter has been added.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 during its entire pendency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1135. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1135.

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